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SUMMARY

11. WE REPORT HEREIN FOR THE RECORD RECENT PUBLIC REMARKS BY UNPROFOR CIVILIAN AFFAIRS DIRECTOR CEDRIC THORNBERRY REGARDING THE SITUATION IN THE CROATIAN UNPA'S AND PINK ZONES. REFERING TO SECTORS EAST AND SOUTH, THORNBERRY DECLARED, "GANGS OF TERRORISTS ROAM THE AREA, THERE ARE POLICE FORCES WHO DO NOT POLICE, PROSECUTORS WHO DO NOT PROSECUTE, AND COURTS THAT ARE AFRAID TO SIT." AT A MEETING WITH AUTHORITIES IN UNCLASSIFIED

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- PAGE 03 ZAGREB 02400 01 OF 04 161001Z KNIN, UNPROFOR REASSERTED ITS AUTHORITY TO CONTROL BORDER CROSSING POINTS BUT FAILED TO OBTAIN SERBIAN AGREEMENT TO DRAW BACK FROM FIVE BRIDGES. UNPROFOR ESTIMATES THAT THERE ARE AT LEAST 5,000 ARMED, UNIFORMED PERSONNEL IN SECTOR EAST AT THE MOMENT; IN CLEAR VIOLATION OF THE VANCE PLAN.
- THORNBERRY WARNED THAT IF THE LOCAL SERBIAN LEADERS DO NOT ACCEPT THE BASIC ELEMENTS OF RESOLUTION 762, WHICH CALLS FOR A STEP-BY-STEP RESTORATION OF CROATIAN AUTHORITY IN THE PINK ZONES, THE SECURITY COUNCIL WILL HAVE TO BE INFORMED. HE STATED THAT UNPROFOR HAS NO INTENTION OF BEING AN ACCESSORY TO THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE RULE OF THE PINK ZONES BY AUTHORITIES OTHER THAN THOSE STATED IN THE RESOLUTION.
- THORNBERRY CONDEMNED THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR PUTTING A REPORTED FIFTEEN TONS OF EXPLOSIVES IN THE CENTRAL LOWER GALLERY OF THE PERUCA DAM. AFTER FAILING TO OBTAIN MAPS AND DIAGRAMS FROM THE KNIN AUTHORITIES, UNPROFOR SENT IN A TEAM OF BRITISH DEMOLITIONS EXPERTS. RECENT PRESS REPORTS INDICATE THAT THE MINES HAVE NOW BEEN "NEUTRALIZED." END SUMMARY.
- THERE FOLLOW EXCERPTS FROM AN OFFICIAL SUMMARY OF THE UNPROFOR PRESS BRIEFING HELD ON NOVEMBER 5 IN BELGRADE BY CEDRIC THORNBERRY, DIRECTOR OF CIVILIAN AFFAIRS AND DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION.

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THORNBERRY SAID THAT IN SECTOR NORTH THE SITUATION IS INCREASINGLY QUIET, BUT THERE ARE INCIDENTS AROUND THE CEASE-FIRE LINE BECAUSE OF THE

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PRESENCE THERE OF THE CROATIAN ARMY AND SERBIAN MILITIAS, AND SOME TERRORISM.

16. SECTOR WEST IS GENERALLY QUIET; IMPLEMENTATION OF THE VANCE PLAN IS FURTHER ADVANCED THAN IN ANY OTHER SECTOR. THE PROGRAMME OF VISITS OF DISPLACED PERSONS FROM BOTH SIDES TO THEIR FORMER VILLAGES IS PROGRESSING: AS OF LAST WEEK, 1,500 PEOPLE HAD VISITED 50 VILLAGES TO EXAMINE THE DAMAGES TO THEIR HOMES AND START PREPARATIONS FOR THEIR REPAIR. THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT HAS OFFERED 500 TEMPORARY HOUSING UNITS FOR PEOPLE WHO WISH TO WORK ON THEIR HOUSES UNCLASSIFIED

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PAGE 03 ZAGREB 02400 02 OF 04 161003Z DURING THE WINTER. IN ONE AREA NEIGHBORING SECTOR WEST, UNPROFOR HAS PROVIDED INFORMATION RELATING TO RESOLUTION 780 TO THE WAR CRIMES COMMISSION, WHICH WAS SCHEDULED TO MEET YESTERDAY FOR THE FIRST TIME.

ANARCHY CONTINUES. GANGS OF TERRORISTS ROAM THE AREA, THERE ARE POLICE FORCES WHO DO NOT POLICE, PROSECUTORS WHO DO NOT PROSECUTE, AND COURTS THAT ARE AFRAID TO SIT. (UNPROFOR MADE AVAILABLE A PAGE GIVING EXTRACTS FROM UNCIVPOL REPORTS SUMMARISING RECENT INCIDENTS FROM SECTORS EAST AND SOUTH). MANY OF THESE ARE SMALL, NASTY, COWARDLY CRIMES, USUALLY ETHNICALLY BASED AND AIMED AT OLD PEOPLE LIVING ALONE. THE MAJORITY ARE AGAINST CROATS LIVING IN SERB-CONTROLLED TERRITORIES, BUT THERE ARE ALSO SOME AGAINST SERBS LIVING IN CROAT-CONTROLLED AREAS. IN A WAY, THERE HAS BEEN SOME IMPROVEMENT, AS THERE ARE FEWER MURDERS THAN BEFORE.

18. ALONG THE EDGES OF SECTOR SOUTH, SOME CEASE-FIRE VIOLATIONS, MAINLY BY THE CROATIAN ARMY, ARE PROBABLY PROVOCATIONS. AS THERE HAS STILL NOT BEEN DISARMAMANT OF THE SERB MILITIA, THE CROATIAN ARMY HAS, IN SOME CASES, MOVED BACK UP FROM THE WITHDRAWAL LINE, TO THE CONFRONTATION LINE, AND THE RELATIVELY HEAVILY ARMED SERB MILITIA HAVE ALSO MOVED UP TO THAT LINE.

1,500 TONS OF EXPLOSIVES REPORTED IN PERUCA DAM UNCLASSIFIED

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_9. PERUCA DAM, (LOCATED) IN A PINK ZONE, HAS BEEN UNDER UNPROFOR CONTROL SINCE 14 SEPTEMBER. THE WATER LEVEL IS NOW 357.62 METRES. THE BRITISH ENGINEERING TEAM THAT SURVEYED THE DAM LAST WEEK WERE TOLD THAT

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THERE ARE 15 TONNES OF EXPLOSIVES IN THE CENTRAL LOWER GALLERY OF THE DAM. UNPROFOR REQUESTED MAPS AND DIAGRAMS FROM THE KNIN AUTHORITIES, BUT HAS NOT RECEIVED THEM, ALTHOUGH THE SITUATION IS NOW URGENT. UNPROFOR DOES NOT KNOW WHO PLACED THE EXPLOSIVES, BUT CONSIDERING THE IMPLICATIONS IF THE DAM WERE TO BE DESTROYED, "THE LEVEL OF IRRESPONSIBILITY IN PREPARING THE DAM FOR DESTRUCTION PASSES COMPREHENSION." (NOTE: PRESS REPORTS INDICATE THAT BRITISH DEMOLITIONS EXPERTS HAVE SINCE "NEUTRALIZED" THE MINES WITHOUT THE HELP OF THE SERBS.)

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MASLENICA BRIDGE STILL ON HOLD:

110. THE REBUILDING OF MASLENICA BRIDGE, LOCATED IN A PINK ZONE, HAS THE AGREEMENT OF ALL SIDES, BUT NO ONE SEEMS TO WANT TO "ROLL UP THEIR SLEEVES AND GET TO WORK" ON THE PROJECT. IT MUST MOVE AHEAD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

5,000 UNAUTHORIZED "POLICE" IN SECTOR EAST

- 111. SECTOR EAST HAS BEEN RATHER QUIET LATELY. AN ACCOUNT PUBLISHED IN THE BELGRADE PRESS ON EVENTS AROUND BATINA BRIDGE CAUSED THORNBERRY'S AMAZEMENT, AND THE CONCLUSION THAT "IF YOU DON'T HAVE ANY FACTS, GO UP TO THE CRAZIEST PERSON AROUND AND PUBLISH WHAT HE SAYS."
- 112. ON A MORE SERIOUS NOTE, UNPROFOR ESTIMATES THERE ARE AT LEAST 5,000 ARMED, UNIFORMED PERSONNEL IN SECTOR EAST AT THE MOMENT; IN CLEAR VIOLATION OF THE VANCE PLAN. UNPROFOR IS NOT SURE WHO IS IN CONTROL OF ALL OF THESE ELEMENTS. "PERHAPS UNPROFOR BELGRADE COULD ORGANIZE A TOUR FOR JOURNALISTS SO THEY COULD SEE FOR THEMSELVES? SECTOR EAST IS QUITE CLOSE TO BELGRADE." (NOTE: PRESS REPORTS INDICATE THAT IN FACT A VISIT BY JOURNALISTS IS NOW BEING ARRANGED.)

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113. FORCE COMMANDER GENERAL NAMBIAR, THORNBERRY AND THE DEPUTY FORCE COMMANDER MET WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN KNIN ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, INCLUDING GORAN HADZIC

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AND MILAN MARTIC, FOR A "REMARKABLY FRANK" DISCUSSION. WITH REGARD TO RESOLUTION 769, WHICH REQUIRES UNPROFOR TO CONTROL THE CROSSING POINTS FROM THE UNITED NATIONS PROTECTED AREAS INTO OTHER PARTS OF THE FORMER YUGOSLAVIA, THE KNIN AUTHORITIES AGREED TO MOVE THEIR CHECKPOINTS BACK CA. 500 METRES FROM THE UNPROFOR CHECKPOINTS AT THE BOUNDARIES, EXCEPT ON FIVE BRIDGES; THESE ARE STILL UNDER NEGOTIATION. TALKS ON THE DISARMING OF THE SPECIAL MILITIA WERE NOT FRUITFUL AND DISCUSSIONS WILL CONTINUE. REGARDING RESOLUTION 762 ON THE PINK ZONES, WHICH CALLS FOR A STEP-BY-STEP RESTORATION OF CROATIAN UNCLASSIFIED

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PAGE 03 ZAGREB 02400 04 OF 04 161005Z AUTHORITY IN THESE AREAS, IF THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES DO NOT ACCEPT THE BASIC ELEMENTS OF THE RESOLUTION, THE SECURITY COUNCIL WILL HAVE TO BE INFORMED. UNPROFOR HAS NO INTENTION OF BEING AN ACCESSORY TO THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE RULE OF THE PINK ZONES BY AUTHORITIES OTHER THAN THOSE STATED IN THE RESOLUTION.

- 114. THE SERIOUS DESIRE FOR PEACE THAT IS APPARENT IN MANY PARTS OF THE REGION OF THE FORMER YUGOSLAVIA COULD BE ENDANGERED BY THE BLOCKAGES IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE VANCE PLAN IN THE SECTORS.
- 115. AT PREVLAKA, APART FROM A FEW PROBLEMS, THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE VANCE PLAN IS PROCEEDING QUITE WELL. THE YUGOSLAV ARMY HAS WITHDRAWN, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE VANCE PLAN, AND MILITARY OBSERVERS ARE NOW DEPLOYED. THERE HAVE BEEN REPORTS, HOWEVER, OF CROATIAN ARMY ACTIVITIES IN ADJACENT AREAS.

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